Minutes of the Transportation Committee

The Transportation Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 East Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman William Caisley, Members Catherine Metsker,

Don Cavallini, Carlo Robustelli, Randall Martin, Mark

Johnson and Josh Barnett

Members Absent: None

Other Members Present:

Staff Members Present: Mr. William Wasson, County Administrator, Mr. Don

Knapp, Assistant County Administrator, Mr. Eric Schmitt, Administrative Services Director; Ms. Julie Morlock,

Recording Secretary

Department Heads Present: Mr. Jerry Stokes, County Engineer,

Others Present: Mr. Luke Hohulin, Assistant County Engineer

Chairman Caisley called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and presented the June 5, 2018 regular Transportation Committee minutes for approval.

Motion by Cavallini/Martin to recommend approval of the June 5, 2018 regular Transportation Committee Minutes.

Motion Carried.

Mr. Barnett Abstained

Chairman Caisley presented the bills with a prepaid total of \$1,946,136.09 for review and approval.

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AS OF 7/1/2018 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Transportation Committee

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0006	SHOW BUS		\$296,322.75	\$296,322.75
0120	HIGHWAY		\$73,636.25	\$73,636.25
0121	BRIDGE MATCHING FUND		\$128,248.78	\$128,248.78
0123	MOTOR FUEL TAX		\$536,781.94	\$536,781.94
0501	TOWNSHIP MOTOR FUEL TAX		\$906,786.83	\$906,786.83
0502	TOWNSHIP BRIDGE PROGRAM		\$4,359.54	\$4,359.54
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Motion by Cavallini/Barnett to recommend payment of bills as submitted by the County Auditor in the amount of \$1,946,136.09. Motion carried.

Chairman Caisley confirmed there were no members of the public to appear before the Committee.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve a Resolution & Bid Tab for June 26, 2018 Construction Letting. Mr. Stokes indicated Rowe construction was the only bidder to submit a bid for the free flow right turn lane at the Towanda Barnes/Ireland Grove project. He said they were about 4.5% over the estimate but felt that was due covering several projects and increase in oil costs. Mr. Cavallini asked if they were expecting other bids. Mr. Stokes stated the only other vendor that could have bid is involved in another project for us. Mr. Robustelli asked if there was an update on the road at Pony Fields. Mr. Hohulin indicated he had talked with the City regarding blocking off road during construction but they had not discussed options after construction. Ms. Metsker indicated there have been several projects recently where there was only one bid and asked if there were reasons. Mr. Stokes indicated that it depends on workloads of contractors and types of projects.

Motion by Martin/Robustelli to recommend approval of a Resolution & Bid Tab for June 26, 2018 Construction Letting. Motion carried.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve Bridge Fund Resolution, Comlara Park Road, Section 18-00173-01-DR. Mr. Stokes indicated they did a culvert inventory/inspection and found several at Comlara Park that were rusted. He stated when they figured estimate to replace or do culvert liners it was determined it would be more cost efficient to do the liners. Ms. Metsker asked how old the culverts are and if rust is due to normal wear. Mr. Stokes stated rust is more than likely from age and not any other circumstances. Mr. Barnett asked if this lining was the same lining the City was using on the older sewer pipes. Mr. Hohulin explained two types of lining and indicated he believes it is the same technology. Mr. Cavallini stated this is relatively new technology and asked if this would have been used if there was only one culvert that needed repair. Mr. Stokes indicated that the number of culverts, closing roads, renting equipment and length of the pipe were all factors. Ms. Metsker asked if this was a Township road before. Mr. Wasson stated that the City most likely put in the culverts when they developed the lake and put in the roads. Ms. Metsker asked if there were people lived on this road. Mr. Stokes confirmed this was the east side of Evergreen Lake and no one lived near this project.

Motion by Martin/Robustelli to recommend approval of Bridge Fund Resolution, Comlara Park Road, Section 18-00173-01-DR. Motion Carried.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Colfax prohibiting excessive engine braking noise. Mr. Stokes indicated that the Chief of Police reached out to him after a village board meeting where a residents asked that signs be put up to prohibit. Mr. Stokes indicated that our policy says we can do this via an intergovernmental agreement if the village or municipality request. He stated that County will purchase and put them up and the Village will reimburse us. He stated that if the signs are damaged then the Village would be responsible for the replacement cost. Mr. Caisley asked if the Village would be issuing an ordinance and enforcing that ordinance. Mr. Stokes confirmed that their police department would be the ones to issue tickets.

Motion by Metsker/Cavallini to recommend approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Colfax prohibiting excessive engine braking noise.

Motion Carried.

Chairman Caisley presented for action a request to approve Ryan Albin Fun Run Permit for the Village of Bellflower on July 4, 2018. Mr. Stokes indicated that this came up with discussion of culvert work that was going to be done on this road and realized they did not have paperwork completed so assisted them in getting this in last minute. Ms. Metsker asked about the process if they do not have a permit and if we requests permits because of liability. Mr. Wasson confirmed that liability of an event on a public road with traffic is the main reason for the permit and if we find out about an event after the fact, then we contact them and let them know they need to have one in the future. Ms. Metsker asked about cost of permit. Mr. Stokes indicated there is no cost, just paperwork on file. Ms. Metsker asked if they contract with the Sheriff. Mr. Wasson stated that for these events, the Sheriff usually provides reserve officers for traffic control for these events. Mr. Robustelli thanked them for getting this put together as quickly as possible.

Motion by Metsker/Robustelli to recommend approval of Ryan Albin Fun Run Permit for the Village of Bellflower on July 4, 2018 Motion Carried.

Mr. Stokes stated that there were no new positions filled at the Highway department.

Mr. Stokes provided an update to the Committee on the Colfax Road project indicating that sidewalks have been completed, so painting and reflector installation is only part left on this project.

Mr. Stokes indicated that they would be bringing to stand up a bid letting for traffic paint. He went over the process of bids usually submitted to the State and how there has been a delay from the State, so they proceeded to bid and get paint on our own so that the work can be completed this season. Mr. Cavallini asked how many vendors carry this paint. Mr. Stokes stated there were five bidders on the list so far. He said they have not seen the number of bidders when it goes through State would be nice to get a comparison to the

bids usually received through the State. Mr. Stokes indicated that the State just informed them they were close to resolving bidder issue on their contract, so we might be able to utilize their bid if it is lower. Mr. Caisley asked if we would notify the state that we no longer needed paint through their process. Mr. Stokes indicated they had already confirmed with the State the County would not be locked into the paint requested earlier.

Mr. Schmitt stated that the City of Bloomington reached out to our Staff regarding a quiet zone request on the UP Amtrak line. He stated they are looking to do this at the Washington Street, Miller Street and Six Points Road intersection. He went over the process to get this approved and stated they have asked the County to participate in the process with them. Mr. Cavallini mentioned one in process for the Town of Lexington and asked if these quiet zones were only for Amtrak trains. Mr. Schmitt stated that he thought it was for all trains but would have to follow up. He also provided examples of exceptions including accidents and construction.

Mr. Robustelli, Mr. Barnett and Mr. Johnson indicated that they would not participate in the field trip.

Chairman Caisley asked if there was any other business to come before the Committee, hearing none, he advised that the Committee would recess to prepare for the field trip, 8:35 a.m.

The Transportation Committee reconvened at 8:50 a.m.

The field trip began with Mr. Scott Bundy driving the remaining Committee Members, Mr. Stokes and Mr. Hohulin to Towanda where they picked up Ms. Elizabeth Johnston at 9:10 a.m. and proceeded to the Gridley Road Project. Mr. Stokes stated that HJ Eppel was the contractor that completed the work and summarized the work that had been completed. He also indicated that this project used federal STR and TARP funds. Mr. Cavallini asked about the paint and reflectors on the project. Mr. Stokes mentioned this would be one of the roads that would need to be repainted since it was painted late last fall. Mr. Hohulin stated that the reflectors are typically 80' a part but vary depending on the design and location. Ms. Johnston asked for information on the contractor HJ Eppel. Mr. Stokes stated they are out of Pontiac and have completed other paving projects for the County.

The Committee then proceeded to the Chenoa Township project on 2550E Road and viewed both the road project and the new grain elevator project. Mr. Stokes stated the new road would be 24' wide and would be an 80,000lbs road. The tour continued down Division Street/CH 19 in Chenoa. Mr. Stokes mentioned this would be the site of a future reconstruction project that would be similar to the Washington Street project in Downs completed in 2013.

The Committee stopped at the Roselands II Bridge on CH 8 project and Mr. Stokes summarized this project. The Committee then drove to CH 13/Harrison St. in Colfax. Ms. Johnston asked about the crack filling process on CH 13 north of Rte. 165. Jerry

explained the process of crack filling and said it is good pavement preservation but labor intensive. Members agreed that the CH 13/Harrison Street project looked very nice.

Mr. Bundy drove to CH 5/ Bellflower-Saybrook Road project where Mr. Stokes explained the overall paving project and mentioned that all of the culverts would be replaced from Bellflower to Saybrook. He went on to explain that most of the culverts being replaced are currently concrete box culverts that are difficult to extend. The Committee then traveled to the new elevator facility on 2550 East Road and then continued to Chenoa and the Roselands II on CH 8 construction site. Mr. Stokes summarized this project.

Then the tour continued into the town of Colfax and on to the construction site on Bellflower-Saybrook Road. Mr. Stokes went over the project. Next, the Committee traveled to Holders Bridge on CH 15 to review the construction site there. The final site the Committee was the Holder-Ellsworth Drainage Project. Mr. Stokes explained project to the Committee. The Committee returned to the Government Center and the Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn

Motion by Cavallini/Martin to adjourn the July 3, 2018 Transportation Committee Meeting Motion carried.

Chairman Caisley adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

July A. Morbock

Julie Morlock

Recording Secretary